

# Texas Agricultural Facts



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## TEXAS CATFISH: NUMBER OF OPERATIONS AND WATER AREA, 2002-2003

Item	January 1, 2002	January 1, 2003
Number of operations . . . . . Number	34	30
Water surface area . . . . . Acres	580	395

## TEXAS CATFISH: INVENTORY, NUMBER AND TOTAL LIVELWEIGHT, 2002-2003

Item	2002		2003	
	Number	Total liveweight	Number	Total liveweight
<b>Inventory:</b>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000 lbs.</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000 lbs.</u>
Broodfish . . . . .	6	23	14	60
Fingerlings . . . . .	670	25	800	32
Total stockers . . . . .	360	56	365	65
Small food size . . . . .	105	103	105	105
Medium food size . . . . .	45	87	55	110
Large food size . . . . .	25	86	29	107

## TEXAS CATFISH: NUMBER, WEIGHT AND VALUE OF SALES, 2001-2002

Item	2001	2002
<b>All stockers:</b>		
Total number sold . . . . . 1,000	350	*
Total pounds sold . . . . . 1,000 pounds	90	*
Average value per pound . . . . . Dollars	1.70	*
Total value of sales . . . . . 1,000 dollars	153	*
<b>Fingerlings and fry:</b>		
Total number sold . . . . . 1,000	930	2,500
Total pounds sold . . . . . 1,000 pounds	10	105
Average value per pound . . . . . Dollars	5.00	4.90
Total value of sales . . . . . 1,000 dollars	50	515
<b>All food size:</b>		
Total number sold . . . . . 1,000	290	550
Total pounds sold . . . . . 1,000 pounds	430	950
Average value per pound . . . . . Dollars	1.30	1.51
Total value of sales . . . . . 1,000 dollars	559	1,435

\* Not published separately to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

## FARM AND RANCH WORKERS, HOURS WORKED AND WAGE RATES: SOUTHERN PLAINS AND UNITED STATES

Workers	Southern Plains <sup>1</sup>			United States <sup>2</sup>		
	January 6-12, 2002	October 6-12, 2002	January 5-11, 2003	January 6-12, 2002	October 6-12, 2002	January 5-11, 2003
<b>WORKERS HIRED FOR:</b>	<u>Thousands</u>					
150 days or more . . . . .	54	46	40	584	* 685	609
149 days or less . . . . .	7	12	10	123	* 255	115
<b>TOTAL HIRED</b> . . . . .	61	58	50	707	* 940	724
	<u>Hours</u>					
Hours worked . . . . .	41.5	41.7	37.9	38.5	40.4	37.8
	<u>Dollars per hour</u>					
<b>WAGE RATES FOR:</b>						
All hired . . . . .	8.05	7.57	8.85	8.97	* 8.95	9.32
Field workers . . . . .	7.82	7.05	8.13	8.25	* 8.34	8.29
Livestock workers . . . . .	7.37	7.32	8.51	8.20	* 8.42	8.91

<sup>1</sup> Oklahoma and Texas. <sup>2</sup> Excludes Alaska and agricultural service workers. \* Revised.

**FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER OF LIVESTOCK: TEXAS AND UNITED STATES**

Species	Texas			United States		
	January 2002	December 2002	January 2003	January 2002	December 2002	January 2003
<b>CATTLE</b>	<u>1,000 head</u>			<u>1,000 head</u>		
Steers .....	269.2	244.9	260.3	1,422.8	1,291.2	1,385.1
Heifers .....	190.1	171.6	185.1	1,002.1	889.1	967.5
Dairy cows .....	10.8	8.6	11.0	246.8	234.4	267.6
Other cows .....	52.8	52.6	57.2	275.8	262.2	278.8
Bulls and stags .....	12.0	9.6	13.0	51.3	41.9	51.2
<b>Total</b> <sup>1</sup> .....	<b>534.9</b>	<b>487.3</b>	<b>526.6</b>	<b>2,998.9</b>	<b>2,718.8</b>	<b>2,950.2</b>
Calves .....	1.6	2.9	2.3	85.7	95.8	91.6
<b>HOGS</b>						
Barrows and gilts .....	19.0	24.0	24.3	8,265.6	8,253.8	8,394.9
Sows .....	6.9	8.2	6.9	260.8	259.6	265.0
Stags and boars .....	0.8	1.7	2.0	25.4	20.7	21.9
<b>Total</b> <sup>1</sup> .....	<b>26.8</b>	<b>34.0</b>	<b>33.2</b>	<b>8,551.7</b>	<b>8,534.1</b>	<b>8,681.8</b>
<b>SHEEP</b>						
Mature sheep .....	1.2	1.5	1.6	10.2	13.5	10.1
Lambs and yearlings .....	34.0	24.4	31.9	233.7	248.8	217.1
<b>Total</b> <sup>1</sup> .....	<b>35.2</b>	<b>25.9</b>	<b>33.4</b>	<b>243.9</b>	<b>262.3</b>	<b>227.2</b>

<sup>1</sup> Total based on unrounded data.

**LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER AND LIVE WEIGHTS: TEXAS AND UNITED STATES <sup>1</sup>**

Species	Texas			United States <sup>2</sup>		
	January 2002	December 2002	January 2003	January 2002	December 2002	January 2003
<b>HEAD SLAUGHTERED</b>	<u>Thousand head</u>					
Cattle .....	537.7	489.8	529.4	3,055.8	2,772.0	3,007.0
Calves .....	1.8	3.2	2.5	87.4	98.3	93.8
Hogs .....	34.5	41.0	40.9	8,657.8	8,658.4	8,787.5
Sheep and lambs .....	37.2	29.4	35.1	254.9	278.5	238.8
<b>TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT</b>	<u>Million pounds</u>					
Cattle .....	636.7	583.0	629.6	3,851.5	3,506.5	3,814.3
Calves .....	0.8	1.1	1.3	28.1	30.0	29.8
Hogs .....	10.5	11.9	11.5	2,317.1	2,316.5	2,353.5
Sheep and lambs .....	5.2	3.5	4.5	35.6	37.1	31.9

<sup>1</sup> Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other commercial slaughter. Excludes farm slaughter. <sup>2</sup> Includes Hawaii; commercial slaughter not estimated in Alaska.

**TEXAS CATTLE AND CALVES ON FEED IN 1,000+ CAPACITY FEEDLOTS**

Cattle and calves	District 1-N	District 1-S	District 2-N	District 2-S	District 7	District 8-N	District 10-N	Other districts	State total
	<u>1,000 head</u>								
On feed January 1 <sup>1</sup> .....	2,193	185	59	29	22	38	54	50	2,630
Placed on feed during January .....	369	42	9	5	3	5	8	9	450
Marketed during January .....	355	31	11	7	4	7	10	10	435
Other disappearance during January <sup>2</sup> .....	14	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	15
On feed February 1 <sup>1</sup> .....	2,193	195	57	27	21	36	52	49	2,630

<sup>1</sup> Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grains or other concentrates; these animals are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. <sup>2</sup> Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pastures and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

\* Revised.

### MOHAIR PRODUCTION AND VALUE: TEXAS AND THREE STATES, 2001-2002

Item	Texas			Three States <sup>1</sup>		
	2001	2002	2002 as percent of 2001	2001	2002	2002 as percent of 2001
Goats clipped . . . . . Thousand head	260	240	92	310	283	91
Average clip per goat . . . . . Pounds	6.6	7.9	120	6.4	7.5	117
Production . . . . . Thousand pounds	1,716	1,896	110	1,970	2,126	108
Price per pound . . . . . Dollars	2.20	1.60	73	2.13	1.58	74
Value . . . . . Thousand dollars	3,775	3,034	80	4,200	3,356	80

<sup>1</sup> Arizona, New Mexico and Texas.

### WOOL PRODUCTION AND VALUE: TEXAS AND UNITED STATES, 2001-2002

Item	Texas			United States		
	2001	2002	2002 as percent of 2001	2001	2002	2002 as percent of 2001
Sheep shorn <sup>1</sup> . . . . . Thousand head	870	790	91	5,689	5,453	96
Weight per fleece <sup>2</sup> . . . . . Pounds	6.9	7.0	101	7.6	7.5	100
Production . . . . . Thousand pounds	6,003	5,530	92	43,016	41,150	96
Price per pound . . . . . Dollars	.52	.68	131	.36	.53	147
Value . . . . . Thousand dollars	3,122	3,760	120	15,311	21,792	142

<sup>1</sup> Includes shearing at commercial feeding yards. <sup>2</sup> Weight per fleece is the amount of wool shorn per sheep and lambs during the year.

### MILK PRODUCTION: TEXAS AND TWENTY STATES

Item	Texas			20 States <sup>2</sup>		
	January 2002	December 2002	January 2003	January 2002	December 2002*	January 2003
Milk production . . . . . Million pounds	462	456	482	12,327	12,290	12,547
Production per cow <sup>1</sup> . . . . . Pounds	1,490	1,465	1,550	1,591	1,575	1,608
Number of milk cows . . . . . Thousand head	310	311	311	7,749	7,801	7,805

<sup>1</sup> Monthly rate based on all milk cows on farms (in milk or dry). <sup>2</sup> 20 States: AZ, CA, FL, ID, IL, IN, IA, KY, MI, MN, MO, NM, NY, OH, PA, TX, VT, VA, WA and WI. \* Revised.

### POULTRY: TEXAS AND UNITED STATES

Item	Texas			United States		
	January 2002	December 2002	January 2003	January 2002	December 2002	January 2003
Average number of layers . . . . . Thousands	19,118	18,761	18,809	338,966	* 337,473	338,122
Egg production . . . . . Millions	391	405	395	7,264	* 7,381	7,337
Table eggs <sup>1</sup> . . . . . Millions	--	--	--	6,170	* 6,325	6,254
Hatching eggs <sup>1</sup> . . . . . Millions	--	--	--	1,093	* 1,055	1,082
Eggs per 100 layers . . . . . Number	2,045	2,159	2,100	2,143	2,187	2,170
<b>HATCHERY PRODUCTION</b>						
Egg type <sup>1</sup> . . . . . Thousands	--	--	--	35,533	32,153	33,499
Broiler type . . . . . Thousands	56,341	55,602	54,754	775,669	753,633	759,773
<b>PLACEMENTS</b>						
Turkey poults <sup>1</sup> . . . . . Thousands	--	--	--	25,880	* 23,977	25,381

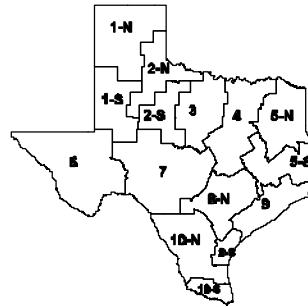
<sup>1</sup> Texas data not shown to avoid disclosing individual operations. \* Revised.

**POULTRY SLAUGHTER: TEXAS AND UNITED STATES <sup>1</sup>**

Item	Number Inspected			Total Live Weight			Average Live Weight			Total Certified <sup>2</sup>		
	Dec. 2001	Nov. 2002	Dec. 2002	Dec. 2001	Nov. 2002	Dec. 2002	Dec. 2001	Nov. 2002	Dec. 2002	Dec. 2001	Nov. 2002	Dec. 2002
<b>TEXAS</b>	<u>1,000 head</u>			<u>1,000 pounds</u>			<u>Pounds</u>			<u>1,000 pounds</u>		
Chickens:												
Young	48,028	47,891	50,155	236,854	233,339	245,695	4.93	4.87	4.90	184,124	178,057	186,885
<b>UNITED STATES</b>												
Chickens:	664,023	*659,249	671,471	3,406,870	*3,403,497	3,495,675	5.13	*5.16	5.21	2,505,671	*2,504,608	2,558,457
Young	650,962	*647,424	658,447	3,338,705	*3,336,635	3,425,757	5.13	5.15	5.20	2,464,805	*2,463,712	2,516,805
Mature	13,061	*11,825	13,024	68,165	*66,862	69,918	5.22	*5.65	5.37	40,866	*40,896	41,652
Light	7,792	*6,012	7,150	26,773	*20,941	24,085	3.44	3.48	3.37	13,655	*10,700	12,301
Heavy	5,269	*5,813	5,874	41,392	*45,921	45,833	7.86	7.90	7.80	27,211	*30,196	29,351
Ducks	1,998	*1,796	2,098	13,404	*12,104	13,867	6.71	*6.74	6.61	9,506	*8,709	10,156
Other poultry	-	-	-	677	*992	917	-	-	-	423	*610	536
Turkeys:	19,867	24,027	21,280	529,973	*625,082	584,909	26.67	*26.02	27.48	419,761	*492,596	454,239
Young	19,635	*23,817	21,006	523,329	*619,386	577,315	26.65	*26.01	27.48	414,536	*488,239	448,748
Old	232	210	274	6,644	5,696	7,594	28.65	27.05	27.67	5,225	4,357	5,491
<b>TOTAL POUL-TRY</b>	-	-	-	<b>3,950,924</b>	<b>*4,041,675</b>	<b>4,095,368</b>	-	-	-	<b>2,935,361</b>	<b>*3,006,523</b>	<b>3,023,388</b>

<sup>1</sup> Federally inspected only. Total may not add due to rounding. <sup>2</sup> Ready-to-cook weight. \* Revised.

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